

# **FACT**SHEET

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## I-285 and State Route (SR) 400 Improvements

**Brief, general description**: This Design-Build-Finance (DBF) project will rebuild the I-285/SR 400 Interchange and make improvements along I-285 from west of Roswell Road in Fulton County to east of Ashford-Dunwoody Road in DeKalb County (4.3 miles), as well as along SR 400 from the Glenridge Connector to Spalding Drive (6.2 miles) for a total project length of 10.5 miles. The DBF project was originally approved environmentally as two separate projects (P.I. #'s 0000784 & 721850-) but will be constructed as one project (P.I. # 0013546). The completed project is expected to save the average commuter 8 hours a year and reduce delay over 20,000 hours a day and will reduce traffic congestion and improve safety in the area surrounding the I-285/SR 400 Interchange in metro Atlanta.

Current Status: The team of North Perimeter Contractors (NPC) was identified as the best value proposer on December 10, 2015. NPC's bid amount was \$460 million and the total project cost is currently \$803 million. NPC will finance a portion of the project cost during the construction period and will be paid back over a period of years after construction is complete. The DBF project is currently in the final phases of procurement.

#### **Project Details:**

- P.I. # 0013546 will construct improvements approved environmentally under the I-285/SR 400 Interchange Reconstruction Project (P.I. # 0000784) and SR 400 Collector-Distributor (CD) lanes project (P.I. # 721850-).
  - New flyover ramps will be constructed within the I-285/SR 400 Interchange.
  - New east-west CD lanes will be constructed along I-285 and new north-south CD lanes along SR 400.
  - The existing SR 400/Abernathy Road Interchange will be converted into a diverging diamond interchange.
  - o The Mt. Vernon Road Bridge over SR 400 will be replaced.
  - A shared-use path will be constructed in the southeast quadrant of the I-285/SR 400 Interchange. The new shared-use path will provide a connection through the I-285/SR 400 Interchange for future planned bike and pedestrian facilities in the area.
- P.I. # 0000784 has environmental approval for new eastbound and westbound CD lanes along I-285, as well as new northbound and southbound CD lanes along SR 400 between Glenridge Connector and Hammond Drive, new flyover bridges, reconstruction of existing ramps, and widening of existing bridges within the interchange.
  - o This work would tie into the adjacent SR 400 CD lanes project (P.I. # 721850-).
  - o An Environmental Assessment (EA)/Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was approved on May 19, 2015.
- P.I. # 721850- has environmental approval for new northbound and southbound CD lanes along SR 400 from Hammond Drive to just north of Spalding Drive.
  - o This work would tie into the I-285/SR 400 interchange project (P.I. # 0000784).
  - o A re-evaluation of the existing EA/FONSI was approved on May 21, 2015.



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### **Project Schedule:**

#### • Procurement Phase:

- o Commercial Close with NPC occurred on February 8, 2016.
- o Financial Close with NPC is scheduled for April 8, 2016.

#### Final Design/Construction Phase:

- o Notice to Proceed for Design is scheduled to be issued to NPC on April 11, 2016.
- o Construction is anticipated to begin in late 2016.
- o Construction is anticipated to be complete in mid-2020.

### • Right of Way Acquisition:

- GDOT is currently acquiring required property for project P.I. # 721850- and will complete acquisition by June 30, 2016.
- o GDOT is currently acquiring required property for project P.I. # 0000784 (between Glenridge Drive and the MARTA overpass) and will complete acquisition by December 31, 2016.
- o The selected Developer will acquire required property, west of Glenridge Drive and east of the MARTA overpass, for project P.I. # 0000784.

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